

HOUSE RESOLUTION 41

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the members and coaches of the Celina K-8 School fifth and sixth grade Lady Bulldogs basketball team for winning the James C. Haile State Tournament.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should salute those athletes and athletic teams who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such team is the Celina K-8 School fifth and sixth grade Lady Bulldogs basketball team, whose members and coaches proved themselves worthy of praise and admiration by virtue of their victory at the James C. Haile State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Murfreesboro for the state tournament, and on January 28, 2017, they successfully defeated Trinity Christian for a final tournament victory of 49-38; and

WHEREAS, prior to meeting Trinity Christian in the finals, the Lady Bulldogs also defeated West Middle 57-29 and then Livingston 44-20; and

WHEREAS, the members of this formidable team at Celina K-8 School include Briley Burchett, Kenady May, Lexi Head, Kendall Matthews, Abby Head, Cameron Tucker, Paige Matthews, Baleigh Watson, Tori Headrick, Madison Hayes, Allie Atchley, Kalista Meadows, Emma Walker, and Lori Schmucker; and

WHEREAS, team members Briley Burchett, Kenady May, and Lexi Head were named all-tournament; and

WHEREAS, this tournament victory would not have been possible were it not for the exemplary efforts and leadership of the team coach, Phillip Matthews; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Lady Bulldogs epitomize all that is good in today's student athlete, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a tournament championship, but surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Celina K-8 School fifth and sixth grade Lady Bulldogs for their outstanding performance and for serving as examples of exceptional quality of the athletes of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate the members and coaches of the Celina K-8 School fifth and sixth grade Lady Bulldogs basketball team for winning the James C. Haile State Tournament, and we extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.